

Governor's Executive Orders/Proclamations

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed. With the exception of egregious errors, content (including spelling, grammar, and punctuation) of these orders has been reproduced as submitted.

**Executive Order 2007-08
Arizona Veterans Research Council**

[M07-58]

WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 650,000 veterans reside in the State of Arizona and generate in excess of five billion dollars to the state's economy through Veteran Administration expenditures, disability compensation and pensions, educational benefits, military retiree pay, and veteran's employment funding; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Veterans Task Force (Task Force) was created on June 17, 2005 to evaluate issues important to Arizona veterans and determine the economic impact of Arizona veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force ceased to exist upon issuing its recommendations and a final report to the Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House on January 3, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the final report included a list of additional critical issues that were recommended for further study; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force recommended in its final report that these critical issues be assigned to a newly formed executive body for analysis and consideration;

NOW THEREFORE I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State, do hereby order and direct as follows:

1. The Arizona Veterans Research Council (Council) is hereby created to address the additional issues referenced in the final report of the Arizona Veterans Task Force as well as other critical issues affecting Arizona's veterans.
2. The Council may form subcommittees consisting of representatives from key members of Arizona's veterans communities and organizations to assist in researching issues important to Arizona veterans including:
 - reserve components benefits and recruitment plans;
 - veterans and dependent education plans;
 - service obstacles faced by rural veterans and ways to overcome them; and
 - benefit proposals for disabled veterans.
3. The Council shall be chaired by the Director of the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services or his designee.
4. The Council shall consist of the following 17 members from key Arizona veterans organizations, each of whom shall be appointed by, and serve without compensation at the pleasure of, the Governor:
 - a. the Director of the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services;
 - b. two members of the Arizona Veterans Service Advisory Commission;
 - c. two representatives of the American Legion, one of whom shall be the State Commander;
 - d. two representatives of the Disabled American Veterans, one of whom shall be the State Commander;
 - e. two representatives of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, one of whom shall be the State Commander;
 - f. two representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, one of whom shall be the State Commander;
 - g. two representatives of the Vietnam Veterans of America, one of whom shall be the State Commander;
 - h. two representatives of the Korean War Veterans Association, one of whom shall be the State Commander;
 - i. two representatives of the public who are veterans.

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5. Members of the Arizona Veterans Research Council may, with the Governor's permission, send designees to serve on the council: provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the member with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member.
6. Additional members of the council may be added at the governor's discretion.
7. The Council shall issue an interim report of its findings to the Governor by August 15, 2007.
8. The Council shall issue recommendations and a final report to the Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House by the first week of January, 2008. Upon submission of the report, the Council shall cease to exist.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 30th day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-First.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS WEEK ***

WHEREAS, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is a non-profit educational organization whose first chapter was established in 1942; and [M07-41]

WHEREAS, this organization has now grown to over 250,000 members nationwide in middle schools, high schools, colleges, universities, career and technical schools, and private business schools; and

WHEREAS, FBLA is a professional organization dedicated to bringing business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs; and

WHEREAS, members perform community service activities and strive to build a student's understanding of the realities of the modern business world; and

WHEREAS, FBLA teaches middle school, high school, and college students business and leadership principles, and assists in the transition from school to work;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim Feb. 11-17, 2007 as

*** FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS WEEK ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer

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Secretary of State

*** DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M07-60]

WHEREAS, individuals from *all* backgrounds and cultures are affected by developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona resolves to support opportunities for individuals with disabilities to function independently and productively; and

WHEREAS, these opportunities include the ability to vote, to volunteer, to work, and to engage in fulfilling lives, meaningful relationships, and rewarding careers; and

WHEREAS, I encourage all Arizonans to support and aid the critical efforts to help improve the opportunities and resources for those living with disabilities, so that they may freely strive to realize their full potential without fear of physical limitations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 2007 as

*** DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State